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SUBJECT: CVT WINS UN/ILO SUPPORT FOR FAMILY PLANNING

1. CVT SENIOR VP NGUYEN BUOI INFORMED LABATT THAT THE CVT HAD BEEN INFORMALLY NOTIFIED THAT THE GVN AND THE UNITED NATIONS FUND FOR POPULATION ACTIVITIES (UNFPA) HAVE APPROVED A FOUR-YEAR, \$377,580 CVT PROJECT FOR "PROMOTION OF FAMILY PLANNING AMONGST WORKERS AND THEIR FAMILIES". THE PROJECT IS TO BEGIN JANUARY 1, 1975; THE ILO WILL BE THE COLLABORATING AGENCY WITH UNFPA.

2. THE CVT HAS FOR YEARS BEEN ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAMS THROUGH THEIR 20 SOCIAL WELFARE CENTERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. THE KONRAD ADENAUER FOUNDATION IS PHASING OUT ITS ASSISTANCE IN FAMILY PLANNING AT THE END OF THIS YEAR AND WILL THEN ASSIST CVT IN TRAINING OF ITS CADRE

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AT THE SAME FINANCIAL LEVEL AS HERETOFORE PROVIDED THE

SOCIAL CENTERS.

3. THE SOCIAL WELFARE CENTERS WILL PROVIDE MEDICARE SERVICES TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CVT AFFILIATES, THEIR FAMILIES AND THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY. MOTIVATIONAL ACTIVITIES WILL BE UNDERTAKEN THROUGH REGULAR GROUP TRAINING AT EACH CENTER, IN ADDITION TO MOTIVATIONAL ACTIVITY BY THE MEDICAL AND PARAMEDICAL STAFF AND HOUSE VISITS BY SOCIAL WORKERS ATTACHED TO THE CENTERS. EACH CENTER WILL BE FUNDED TO PROVIDE ONE DOCTOR; ONE NURSE; ONE MIDWIFE; TWO TO FIVE SOCIAL WORKERS (MOTIVATORS); THE ACTUAL NUMBER AT EACH CENTER WILL BE DECIDED BY THE PROGRAM COORDINATOR HAVING REGARD TO THE SIZE OF THE COMMUNITY TO BE SERVED. SUCH OTHER STAFF AS MAY BE NECESSARY AND MEDICAL AND OTHER SUPPLIES OTHER THAN CONTRACEPTIVES WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CVT. CONTRACEPTIVES WILL BE PROVIDED FREE OF CHARGE BY THE NATIONAL FAMILY PLANNING AUTHORITY.

4. THE MEDICAL, PARAMEDICAL AND SOCIAL WORKER STAFF WILL RECEIVE SPECIALIZED TRAINING AT THE COST OF THE PROJECT. NO FOREIGN EXPERT WILL BE ATTACHED TO THE PROJECT. SUCH EXPERTISE AS MAY BE REQUIRED WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE EXPERT ATTACHED TO THE LABOR MINISTRY PROJECT AND BY THE ILO ASIAN LABOR AND POPULATION TEAM IN BANGKOK.

5. THE IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVES ARE:

-- TO PROVIDE FAMILY PLANNING SERVICE FACILITIES AS PART OF MEDICARE SERVICES IN THE SOCIAL CENTERS RUN BY THE CVT;

-- TO RECRUIT AND TRAIN OR RETRAIN THE MEDICAL AND PARAMEDICAL STAFF AT THOSE CENTERS;

-- TO RECRUIT AND TRAIN 60 SOCIAL WORKERS TO FUNCTION AS MOTIVATORS IN FAMILY PLANNING AMONG THE COMMUNITIES SERVED BY THE CENTERS;

-- TO INTEGRATE POPULATION EDUCATION IN THE CURRICULAE OF WORKERS' EDUCATION AND OTHER COURSES RUN BY THE CVT;

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AA TO SELECT AND ADAPT MATERIAL ESPECIALLY SUITABLE FOR USE IN MOTIVATING WORKERS AND THEIR FAMILIES TO ACCEPT FAMILY PLANNING AS A WAY OF LIFE.

6. THE LONG-RANGE OBJECTIVE OF THE PROJECT IS TO SUPPORT AND FURTHER THE NATIONAL EFFORTS DIRECTED TOWARDS POPULATION MODERATION THROUGH:

-- PROMOTING THE ACCEPTANCE AND PRACTICE OF FAMILY PLANNING BY WORKERS AND THEIR FAMILIES THROUGH MOTIVATIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL ACTION AMONGST THEM; AND

-- THE PROVISION OF FAMILY WELFARE PLANNING SERVICES AS PART OF THE MEDICARE SERVICES OFFERED BY THE CVT TO ENSURE EASE OF ACCESS TO SUCH SERVICES.

IT WILL SEEK TO LINK SUCH ACTIVITIES WITH ONGOING TRADE UNION ACTIVITIES.

7. FOR EFFICIENT CONTROL AND SUPERVISION OF THE PROJECT IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO CREATE A SPECIAL UNIT AT CVT'S HEAD-QUARTERS, AND CVT HAS REQUESTED UNFPA ASSISTANCE FOR FUNDING THE COST OF THE UNIT. THE STAFF REQUIRED WILL BE A PROGRAM COORDINATOR, A PROGRAM ASSISTANT, ONE STENOGRAPHER, TWO CLERKS. THE CVT WILL PROVIDE THE PROGRAM COORDINATOR WITH A SUITABLE VEHICLE FOR SUPERVISION PURPOSES BUT PROVISION FOR OPERATING COSTS WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE PROJECT BUDGET. THE UNIT WILL BE UNDER THE GENERAL CONTROL OF THE PRESIDENT OF CVT.

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